

WEAKLEY COUNTY, TENNESSEE
FINANCE, WAYS, & MEANS COMMITTEE

June 13, 2011; 4:00P.M.

Finance, Ways, & Means Members Present: Commissioners Tommy Jones, Roger Stewart, John Salmon, Earl Wright, James H. Westbrook, Jr. and Eric Owen.

Finance, Ways, & Means Members Absent: None.

The Finance, Ways, & Means Committee met on Monday, June 13, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at the Weakley County Department of Finance in the Board Room. Others present included Shawn Francisco - Director of Finance, Houston Patrick – County Mayor, Shirley Chappell – Sharon Office on Aging, Gail Rogers – Dresden Office on Aging, Pat Scarbrough – County Clerk, Marci Floyd – Trustee, Donna Winstead Synder – Register of Deeds, Jamison Peevyhouse – Emergency Management Director, Christy Fulcher – Emergency Management Supervisor, David Tuck – Property Assessor, Ron Cheatham – Veteran’s Affairs Administrator, Pam Belew – Circuit Court Clerk, Barbara Castleman – Election Commission Administrator, and Candy McAdams – County Librarian.

Chairman Roger Stewart called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the June 2, 2011 and the June 6, 2011 minutes of the FWM and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passes unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1011-26 Transfer

The transfer moves \$850.00 from line 51500-193 (Election Workers) to lines 51500-106 (Deputy), 51500-201 (Social Security) and 51500-212 (Medicare) in the Election Commission budget. Commissioner Wright made the motion to approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Jones the motion passed unanimously.

1011-29 Transfer

The transfer moves \$1,300.00 from line 55110-434 (Natural Gas) to line 55110-415 (Electricity) in the Health Department budget. Commissioner Wright made the motion to approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Jones the motion passed unanimously.

1011-30 Transfer

The transfer moves \$120.00 from line 53300-432 (Library Books) to lines 53300-307 (Communication) and 53300-320 (Dues & Memberships) in the General Sessions Court budget and \$375.00 from line 53100-307 (Communication) to lines 53100-355 (Travel), 53100-332 (Legal Notices) and 53100-349 (Printing) in the Circuit Court budget. Commissioner Jones made the motion to approve the transfer and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously.

General Fund Budget Fund No. 101

Chairman Stewart requested that the committee only explore the expenditures at this time. He asked that there be no discussion on raises until after the 2010-2011 FY ended and the matter could be explored. Commissioner Owen made the motion to place the budget on the floor and the second was made by Commissioner Wright the motion passed unanimously.

Account No. 58300 (Veterans' Services), page 42: Chairman Stewart requested a readdress of this account. Commissioner Stewart made the motion to amend line 103 (Assistant) to \$8,485 and with a second by Commissioner Westbrook the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Owen made the motion to tentatively approve Account No. 58300 on readdress and with a second by Commissioner Wright the motion passed unanimously.

Account No. 56500 (Libraries), page 39: Chairman Stewart recognized that the HEED committee had recommended a raise in line 316 (Contribution – County Libraries). He questioned if there was going to be a redistribution of the funds. Commissioner Westbrook answered that due to the shortage of time this budget year, the HEED committee recommends studying the issue and making a decision on redistribution for next budget year. Chairman Stewart recommended raising line 316 (Contribution – County Libraries) to \$20,000. Commissioner Wright made the motion to raise line 316 (Contribution – County Libraries) to \$20,000 and with a second by Commissioner Jones the motion passed unanimously. After further discussion, Commissioner Jones made the motion to tentatively approve Account No. 56500 as amended and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously.

Account No. 51500 (Election Commission), page 7: Chairman Stewart recognized Mrs. Castleman. Mrs. Castleman explained reductions and raises in the 2011-2012 FY budget. Commissioner Westbrook questioned the daily rate paid to election workers. Mrs. Castleman answered that she was paying what the previously administrator was paying. After some discussion, Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to decrease line 331 (Legal Services) to \$5,000 and with a second by Commissioner Owen the motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to tentatively approve Account No. 51500 as amended and with a second by Commissioner Salmon the motion passed unanimously.

Account No. 54310 (Fire Prevention/Control), page 30; Account No. 54420 (Rescue Squad), page 30; Account No. 54610 (County Coroner/Medical Examiner), page 30; Account No. 54900 (Safety), page 31; Account No. 55130 (Ambulance Service), page 34; and Account No. 55510 (General Welfare), page 35: Commissioner Westbrook questioned Account No. 55510 line 310 (Autopsies/Ambulance). Mrs. Francisco answered the Weakley County Ambulance charge to carry a body to any location for an autopsy is \$500 and this is the same amount they charge to any organization. Commissioner Westbrook made the motion to tentatively approve Account No. 54310, Account No. 54420, Account No. 54610, Account No. 54900, Account No. 55130 and Account No. 55510 and with a second by Commissioner Jones the motion passed unanimously.

Account No. 51800 (County Buildings), page 9: Commissioner Westbrook informed the committee that the County Building Maintenance Committee met on June 10, 2011 to discuss issues with some of the County buildings. The County Buildings Maintenance Committee is working on a recommendation for a rearrangement of the budget. Requested deferring this account until a later meeting. Chairman Stewart agreed.

Other Business:

Commissioner Westbrook addressed the committee on the borrowing of money from the Debt Services Fund on revenue anticipation notes. It is customary for those borrowing from the Debt Service Fund to pay interest. Interest should be calculated and charged to the Funds borrowing from the Debt Service Fund. Commissioner Owen made the motion to that those borrowing money from the Debt Service Fund on revenue anticipation note will be charged interest at the rate of 1.75% and with a second by Commissioner Westbrook the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stewart set future meetings for the FWM committee as follows:

June 16, 2011 at 3:30 pm to discuss the Highway budget

June 28, 2011 at 4:00 pm

June 29, 2011 at 4:00 pm

July 5, 2011 at 4:00 pm

July 6, 2011 at 4:00 pm

Having no other business Commissioner Owen made the motion to adjourn at 4:49 pm and with a second by Commissioner Salmon the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kellie Thayer, Secretary
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee

Approved:

Roger Stewart, Chairman
Finance, Ways, & Means Committee

Date: _____